

MINUTES

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**October 29-30, 1997
Fresno, California**

The meeting of the California Transportation Commission was called to order on Wednesday, October 29, 1997 at 1:35 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Centre Plaza, 2233 Ventura Street, Fresno, California.

Members Present: Edward Jordan, Chairman
Edward Sylvester, Vice Chairman
Mary Berglund
P. Gregory Conlon
Octavia Diener
David Fleming
Roger Kozberg
Dana W. Reed
Robert Wolf

Members Absent: Senator Quentin Kopp, Ex-Officio
Assemblyman Kevin Murray, Ex-Officio

The meeting recessed at 5:40 p.m. and reconvened at 8:10 a.m. on Thursday, October 30, 1997.

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Senator Jim Costa welcomed the Commission to Fresno and discussed local transportation issues and projects, SB 45 policy issues, and improvements for intercity rail and high speed rail in California.

1. GENERAL MATTERS

1.(1) Approval of Minutes for September 18-19, 1997

Chairman Jordan presented the minutes for approval. Commissioner Diener moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 9-0.

1.(2) Commission Reports

Chairman Conlon reported on the PUC hearing on Rail Safety. He also discussed the upcoming meeting on NCRA, to be conducted by the PUC in conjunction with Senator Mike Thompson.

Commissioner Wolf reported on his testimony at an interim legislative hearing on the Alameda Corridor noting that the Alameda Corridor Authority was in greater partnership with and therefore more dependent upon LACMTA as a result of SB 45.

Executive Director Remen presented revisions to the proposed 1998 meeting schedule. He noted that the January 16 and January 20, 1998 meetings could be deleted and that the June 2 and 3 meeting would include the STIP adoption. The Commissioners discussed the proposed schedule. They directed staff to investigate with the Commissioners as to the preferred meeting date during the week of April 5 for a Southern California STIP Hearing.

ACTION: P. Lowry

Executive Director Remen presented the September 1997 List of Meetings for Compensation for approval. Commissioner Wolf moved to approve the List. Commissioner Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 9-0.

1.(3) Business, Transportation and Housing Agency Report

John Barna, Business, Transportation and Housing Agency Deputy Secretary, reported on SB 45, the Capitol Corridor, NEXTEA, and the California Transportation Plan Update process.

1.(4) Caltrans Report

Caltrans Director James W. van Loben Sels discussed going back to court for contracting out issues, seismic retrofit, recruiting efforts, and preparations for El Nino. Commissioner Reed requested staff to obtain a staff analysis on the PECO contracting out initiative from the Commission's attorney.

ACTION: C. Oldham**1.(5) Regional Agencies Report**

Regional Agencies' Moderator Craig Scott reported on plans to keep working with the Commission for SB 45 implementation.

1.(6) Election of Commission Officers for 1998

Chairman Jordan announced that the new chairman and vice-chairman would take over at the January 1998 meeting. Chairman Jordan and Vice Chairman Sylvester thanked the Commission for the opportunity to serve.

Vice Chairman Sylvester nominated Commissioner Wolf as Chairman, suggesting that no one was more suited to oversee the implementation of SB 45 and STIP reform than Commissioner Wolf and that he (Commissioner Sylvester) would gladly set aside the normal succession of Vice Chairman to Chairman in order to permit that. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion which carried 9-0.

Commissioner Berglund nominated Commissioner Sylvester as Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which carried 9-0.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Deputy Director Robert Chung presented Consent Calendar and discussed the changes which were as follows:

- Item 2.4b Resolutions of Necessity #C-17243 and #C-17248 were pulled from the agenda.
- Item 2.4d(2) was changed from #10 to #9.
- Item 2.5a Major Project #9 was withdrawn.
- Item 2.6a Project #6 PPNO was changed to 05-1757

Caltrans and Commission staff discussed Items 2.1f(2), 2.5c(2), 2.6c, and 4.7 on the Potential Consent Calendar which were added to the Consent Calendar.

Commissioner Wolf moved to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. Commissioner Berglund seconded the motion which carried 9-0.

The Consent Calendar as approved was as follows: Items 2.1e(1and 2), 2.1f(1and 2), 2.3c, 2.3d, 2.4b, 2.4d(1 and 2), 2.5a, 2.5b(1 and 2), 2.5c(1,2, and 3), 2.6a, 2.6b(1 and 2) 2.6c, 2.7, and 4.7.

2. PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS**2.1 Program Amendments/Project Approvals****2.1a. STIP Amendment for ACTION**

No Items This Month

2.1b. STIP Amendment for Notice

No Items This Month

2.1c. TCI Amendment for Notice

TCI Amendment 96S-50 - Notice

Reprograms \$1,450,000 in FY 1996-97 TCI Program funds from the final design, construction and right of way acquisition project for the Stockton Northwest Track Connection on the San Joaquin Corridor, to a design and construction project for parking and service platforms at the Manteca/Lathrop and Tracy stations on the Altamont Commuter Corridor. Requested by the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC).

Stephen Maller, Caltrans, discussed the proposed TCI Amendment which will be presented next month for approval. After the Commissioners discussed the proposed amendment, Commissioner Reed suggested it be on the December Consent Calendar.

2.1d. Toll Bridge/Aeronautics Program Amendments

No Items This Month

2.1e. Proposition 116 - Non Urban County Project Approvals/Amendments

- 2.1e.(1)** Project Approval Amendment to the City of Oroville in Butte County for the City's Park and Bus Lot Project to modify project from one park and bus lot to two park and bus lots. Original site could not be acquired with funds available. No change in funding amount of \$250,000. (Consistent with concurrent partial allocation under item 2.6b(2).)
Resolution PA-97-21 Amending Resolution PA-94-06

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.1e.(2)** Project Approval Amendment to the City of Yuba City in Sutter County to eliminate the City's 2600-foot Plumas Street Pedestrian Project and add a new infill and curb ramps project. The original Plumas Street Pedestrian Project was completed using local funds. No change in Proposition 116 funding amount of \$129,000.
Resolution PA-97-22 Amending Resolution PA-93-06

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.1f. Proposition 116 - Project Approvals/Amendments

- 2.1f.(1)** Project Approval Amendment for \$3,294,509 to Sacramento Regional Transit District for Mather Field Extension
Resolution PA-97-23 Amending Resolutions PA-94-12, PA-95-10 and PA-96-02

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.1f.(2)** Project Approval Amendment for \$7,554,796 to Port of San Francisco for Downtown Ferry Terminal Project
Resolution PA-97-____, Amending Resolutions PA-91-05 and PA-93-21

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.2 Environmental Matters**2.2a.** Comments on Document in Circulation

- Route 880 in Santa Clara and Alameda Counties - Improvements to the Dixon Landing Road Interchange. (Draft Environmental Impact Report)

Chief Deputy Director Pete Hathaway reviewed the project and its impact. He recommended that no comments be sent at this time and the Commission accepted the recommendation.

2.2b. Comments on Document in Circulation

- Route 94 in San Diego County - Safety Improvements and Passing Lanes between Route 188 and Route 54 in the vicinity of Dulzura. (Draft Negative Declaration)

Chief Deputy Hathaway discussed the project and discussed the problems associated with increased border crossing traffic and in particular, truck traffic. After discussing the issues, the Commission requested Caltrans staff to prepare an update on border crossing issues.

ACTION: G. Gallegos

2.3 Highway Route Matters**2.3a.** Route Adoption

No Items This Month

2.3b. New Public Road Connections

No Items This Month

2.3c. Four Relinquishment Resolutions

- 2-Las-395, 70.1, Route 395 in Lassen County Resolution R-3342.
- 7-LA-105, 0.0/2.4, 5.9/9.4 Route 105 in the City of Los Angeles Resolution R-3343.
- 11-SD-76, 0.0/2.9, Route 76 in the City of Oceanside Resolution R-3344.
- 12-Ora-5, 31.0/32.7, Route 5 in the City of Santa Ana Resolution R-3345.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.3d. One Vacation Resolution

- 9-Iny-395, 116.2/116.5, Route 395 in the City of Bishop
Resolution R-836.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.4 Highway Right of Way Matters**2.4a. Resolutions of Necessity - Appearance**

- Thomas Cashman, Sr., et ux
12-Ora-5-34.0
C-17240

Chief Deputy Hathaway discussed the legal requirements for a Resolution of Necessity. He described the project and discussed the need for the property.

Terry Abbott, Caltrans, presented an overview of the property location and reviewed the issues.

Todd Cashman, Lessee, discussed his objections to a partial take and asked the Commission to not adopt the Resolution of Necessity.

After the Commissioners discussed the proposed action, Commissioner Reed moved to approve the Resolution of Necessity. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion. Chairman Jordan ordered a roll call vote. The motion carried 8-1 as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Berglund, Diener, Fleming, Kozberg, Reed, Sylvester, Wolf, and Jordan (8).

NOES: Commissioner Conlon (1).

**2.4b. Resolutions of Necessity
C-17241 Through C-17242
C-17244 Through C-17247
C-17249 Through C-17268**

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.4c. Airspace Leases

No Items This Month

2.4d. Director's Deeds

- 2.4d.(1)** Items # 1 Through #8
Excess Lands - Return to State: \$639,300
Return to Others: \$0

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.4d.(2)** Item # 9
Route 134 in City of Glendale, Los Angeles County
Excess Lands - Return to State: \$181,000
Return to Others: \$0

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5 Highway Financial Matters

- 2.5a.** Financial Vote for Minor Projects
Resolution FP-97-30

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5b. Financial Vote for State STIP/SHOPP/Toll Bridge/TSM/TEA Projects.

- 2.5b.(1)** Four SHOPP Projects totaling \$12,500,000.
Resolution FP-97-31

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(2)** Two SHOPP Amended Projects totaling \$850,000.
Resolution FP-97-32

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5b.(3)** One Toll Seismic Upgrade Project in San Francisco County at Transbay Transit Terminal for \$13,003,000. (Contingent upon ratification by Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and/or Bay Area Toll Authority.)
Resolution FP-97-33

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, described the project and requested approval contingent upon ratification by MTC.

The Commissioners discussed the project's viability and cost effectiveness and the change from building code upgrades to a seismic retrofit project.

Commissioner Conlon moved to approve the project. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion. After further discussion, the motion was amended to approve contingent upon resolving legal issues with MTC/Bay Area Toll Authority. Caltrans committed to assess and report back alternative means of accommodating travelers who currently use the Transbay Terminal Facility. The motion carried 8-0 (Commissioner Reed was absent).

2.5c. Financial Vote for Local Assistance STIP/TSM/TEA/EEM Projects

- 2.5c.(1)** Three Local TSM Projects totaling \$1,113,250.
Resolution FP-97-34

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(2)** Six Local TEA Projects totaling \$1,858,000
plus \$1,953,520 in Local Contributions.
Resolution FP-97-35

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5c.(3)** Nine Local EEM Projects totaling \$1,771,965
plus \$2,201,158 in Contributions from Others.
Resolution FP-97-36

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5d.** Financial Vote for Projects with Cost Increases Greater than 120 Percent
of Program Amount. One Project at \$954,000.
Resolution FP-97-37

- 11-SD-8 - SHOPP project in San Diego County on Route 8 - Construct median barrier. Current program value \$679,000 and current estimate \$954,000 for a 40 percent increase over programmed amount.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, described the project and the reasons for the cost increase.

Vice Chairman Sylvester moved to approve the cost increase. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 5-0 (Commissioners Conlon, Diener, Reed, and Wolf were absent).

- 2.5e.** Financial Vote for Supplemental Funds for Previously Approved Projects.
Two projects totaling \$2,225,000.
Resolution FA-97-4

- 07-Ven-126 - STIP project in Ventura County on Route 126.
\$2,160,000 for On Going Project. Original vote \$11,423,000
plus \$797,000 (FAs) for a grand total of \$14,380,000.
32 Percent increase over Award.
- 09-Ker-58 - SHOPP project in Kern County on Route 58.
\$65,000 for Claims Settlement Project. Original vote \$12,400,000
minus \$330,000 (G-12s) for a grand total of \$12,135,000.
14 Percent increase over Award.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, described the projects and discussed why supplemental funds were necessary.

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the supplemental funds. Vice Chairman Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Commissioners Conlon, Reed, and Wolf were absent).

2.5f. Emergency Allocations**2.5f.(1) Informational Report - Emergency G-11 Allocations**

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, reviewed the Emergency G-11 allocations for 23 projects totaling \$20,235,000 plus an additional 11 emergency projects totaling \$4,577,000.

**2.5f.(2) Informational Report - Seismic Retrofit G-11 Allocations from Proposition 192 Revenues.
Four Projects totaling \$5,682,000.**

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, reviewed the status of Seismic Retrofit G-11 allocations from Proposition 192 revenues.

**2.5f.(3) Informational Report - Phase 1 Seismic Retrofit G-11 Allocations
Two Projects totaling \$1,900,000.**

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, reported on the status of Phase I Seismic Retrofit G-11 allocations.

2.6 Mass Transportation Financial Matters**2.6a. Financial Vote for Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) Program Projects**

- \$194,000 to County of Yolo for Yolo Shortline Railroad Track Replacement
Resolution MFP-97-08
- \$1,900,000 to Placer County Transportation Planning Agency for Track and Signal Improvements
Resolution MFP-97-09
- \$75,000 to City of Napa for Transit Bus Rehabilitation
Resolution MFP-97-10
- \$2,280,000 to City of Martinez for Martinez Intermodal Facility-Phase II
Resolution MFP-97-11
- \$29,081,000 to Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) for San Francisco International Airport (SFO) Extension
Resolution MFP-97-12
- \$120,000 to Grover Beach for Grover Beach Multimodal Facility-Phase II
Resolution MFP-97-13
- \$146,000 to El Paso de Robles for Paso Robles Multimodal Facility-Phase III
Resolution MFP-97-14
- \$250,000 to Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District for Santa Cruz Bus Rehabilitation
Resolution MFP-97-15

- \$398,000 to Santa Barbara for Santa Barbara Rail Station Improvements
Resolution MFP-97-16
- \$1,160,000 to City of Fresno for Fresno Amtrak Station-Phase III
Resolution MFP-97-17
- \$47,000 to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) on behalf of the City of Monterey Park for Bus Rehabilitation and Upgrades
Resolution MFP-97-18
- \$250,000 to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) on behalf of the County of Los Angeles for Vincent Hill/Acton Grade Metrolink Station
Resolution MFP-97-19
- \$411,000 to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) on behalf of the City of Covina for Grade Crossing Safety Enhancements
Resolution MFP-97-20
- \$516,000 to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) on behalf of the City of Santa Clarita for Newhall Intermodal Transportation Center
Resolution MFP-97-21
- \$594,000 to Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) for Santa Clarita Corridor Enhancements-Phase II
Resolution MFP-97-22
- \$1,755,000 to Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) for Burbank Airport Railroad Crossovers
Resolution MFP-97-23
- \$1,855,000 to Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) for Newhall Station Access Road and Siding
Resolution MFP-97-24
- \$2,600,000 to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) on behalf of the City of Los Angeles for Westlake Community Intermodal Intercept Facility
Resolution MFP-97-25
- \$1,194,000 to Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) for San Bernardino Storage Tracks
Resolution MFP-97-26
- \$3,215,000 to Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) for Inland Empire Maintenance Facility-Phase I
Resolution MFP-97-27

- \$668,000 to Tuolumne County and Cities Area Planning Council and to Tuolumne County and Cities Area Planning Council on behalf of the County of Stanislaus for Sierra Railroad Tie and Track Replacement Resolution MFP-97-28
- \$29,000 to San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board (SDMTDB) for Curve Straightening Resolution MFP-97-29
- \$48,000 to San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board (SDMTDB) for Light Rail Transit Substation Retrofit Resolution MFP-97-30
- \$50,000 to San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board (SDMTDB) for Rail/Curve Rehabilitation Resolution MFP-97-31
- \$66,000 to North San Diego County Transit Development Board for Fare Vending Machines Resolution MFP-97-32
- \$192,000 to San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board (SDMTDB) for South Line Guideway Improvements Resolution MFP-97-33
- \$200,000 to North San Diego County Transit Development Board for Del Mar Bluff Remediation Resolution MFP-97-34
- \$242,000 to San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board (SDMTDB) for Fleet Upgrades Resolution MFP-97-35
- \$250,000 to North San Diego County Transit Development Board for Carlsbad Village Drive Transit Center Parking Lot Expansion Resolution MFP-97-36
- \$150,000 to Fullerton Redevelopment Agency for Transportation Center Parking Expansion Resolution MFP-97-37
- \$207,000 to Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) for Los Angeles/San Diego Corridor - Orange Subdivision Track and Signal Improvements Resolution MFP-97-38
- \$453,000 to Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) for Orange County Commuter Rail-Olive Subdivision Track and Signal Improvements Resolution MFP-97-39
- \$600,000 to Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) for Orange County Track Rehabilitation - Phase II Resolution MFP-97-40

- \$1,007,500 to City of Tustin for Tustin Commuter Rail Station
Resolution MFP-97-41

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6b. Financial Vote for Proposition 116 Bond-Funded Projects

2.6b.(1) Financial Vote for Proposition 116 Rail Projects

\$1,067,000 to Alameda County Public Works Agency for Altamont
Express Rail Stations
Resolution BFP-97-10

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6b.(2) Financial Vote for Proposition 116 Non-Urban County Projects

\$105,000 to City of Oroville for Park and Bus Lots. (Consistent with
concurrent Project Approval (PA) Amendment under Item 2.1e(1).)
Resolution BFP-97-11

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6c. Financial Vote for STIP Projects

- \$30,782,000 to San Francisco Public Transportation Commission for
Replacement of MUNI Light Rail Vehicles
Resolution MFP-97-43

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6d. Financial Vote for Multiple Program Funded Projects

No Items This Month

2.6e. Allocation Amendments for Proposition 108/116 Projects

No Items This Month

2.6f. SB 2800 Advance Local Match Requests

No Items This Month

2.7 Aeronautics Financial Matters

Allocation of \$673,000 for FY 1997-98 California Aid to Airports Program (CAAP) funds for three projects from the 1996 Aeronautics Program.
Resolution FDOA-97-5

- County of Shasta - Fall River Mills Airport in Shasta County
\$318,000 - Overlay Runway, Taxiway and Aprons
- County of Tuolumne - Pine Mountain Lake Airport in Tuolumne County
\$252,000 - Overlay Runway
- City of Ukiah - Ukiah Municipal Airport in Mendocino County
\$103,000 - Slurry Seal Runway and Taxiway

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.8 Request for Waiver of Commission Policy Guidelines

No Items This Month

2.9 Technical Changes to Previously Approved Resolutions

No Items This Month

3. PROGRAM STATUS**3.1 Caltrans Monthly FY 1997-98 Program Finance Report**

Stephen Maller, Caltrans, presented the monthly Program Finance Report. He discussed the status of FFY 1997 obligations and level of amounts funded for the Seismic Retrofit, Toll Bridge and STIP-SHOPP-TSM programs.

3.2 Monthly Report on Status of Projects Previously Voted but not Awarded

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, noted that there was nothing to report under this item as all projects have been awarded and are moving ahead.

3.3 Proposition 116 FY 1992-93 Competitive Bicycle Program Project Delivery and Policy Guidelines Amendment

Proposition 116 Program Manager Sharon Scherzinger reported on the status of program delivery noting that four bicycle projects remained. She recommended that the Commission establish a clear cut-off date for project commitments or have the project funding rescinded.

David Pelz, City of Davis, reported on the status of the City of Davis project.

Commissioner Wolf moved to establish December 31, 1998 as the absolute deadline for project submission. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioners David Fleming and Edward Jordan were absent).

After discussion, the Commission directed staff to send letters to the four applicants informing them of the deadline extension until December 31, 1998 and requesting a status report in six months.

ACTION: Sharon Scherzinger

4. POLICY MATTERS

4.1 State Legislative Matters

Deputy Director Chuck Oldham reported on the disposition of bills going to the Governor prior to the year-end recess.

Executive Director Remen noted that several bills concerning the open meeting law were pending and the Commission directed staff to prepare and present information at the December meeting any changes resulting from 1997 amendments to the Bagley-Keene Act.

ACTION: R. Remen/G. Spanos

4.2 WORKSHOP: STIP Reform Implementation (SB 45 - Kopp)**4.2a. Review of SB 45 Provisions**

Chairman Jordan discussed the purpose and format for the workshop.

Mehdi Morshed, Senate Transportation Committee Staff Director, discussed the objectives of SB 45 and Commission responsibilities.

Executive Director Remen discussed the provisions of SB 45 and summarized the main effects on STIP reform per SB 45, compression of categorical programs, description of new fund estimate requirements, description of new programs and programming components, planning requirements, and Commission responsibilities.

In addition to Commissioners, Commission staff, and Caltrans staff, the following individuals participated in the Workshop:

- Therese McMillan, Metropolitan Transportation Commission
- Barbara Goodwin, Fresno Council of Governments
- Jack Reagan, Riverside County Transportation Commission
- Arnold Sherwood, Southern California Association of Governments
- Dan Landon, Nevada County Transportation Commission
- David Yale, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
- Carl Harris, Coalition for Project Delivery
- Bob McCleary, Contra Costa Regional Transportation Authority
- Craig Scott, San Diego Association of Governments
- Debbie Hale, Santa Cruz CRTC
- Andy Chesley, San Joaquin Council of Governments
- Linda Morshed, Sacramento Regional Transit District

4.2b. Policy Issues

Chief Deputy Director Hathaway and Deputy Director Brewer summarized sixteen implementation issues concerning the Fund Estimate, TIPs, and STIP Adoption. During discussion that followed, Commissioners gave staff general direction on each issue to direct preparation of draft interim STIP guidelines which are to be presented for review at the December meeting.

4.2c. Early Outlook for Revised 1998 STIP Fund Estimate

Craig House, Caltrans, reviewed the changes to the 1998 STIP Fund Estimate resulting from SB 45 and preliminary estimates.

4.3 Status Report on NEXTEA

Chief Deputy Hathaway reported on status of the federal transportation budget for Federal Fiscal Year 1998 and noted that the House and Senate NEXTEA bills would probably be heard in conference committee in Spring 1998.

4.4 Presentation on New Federal Clean Air Standards

Chief Deputy Hathaway presented information on the new federal clean air standards. He noted that California should meet the new federal ozone standards when current State requirements were met, while new federal fine particulates standards would be more problematic.

**4.5 Status Report on Federal Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA)
Program Cost Overruns**

Chief Deputy Hathaway discussed the status of TEA program cost overruns and the issue of using program cost savings for overruns and/or funding additional projects on the TEA stand-by list. Commissioner Wolf suggested that savings could be rolled into the next round of TEA programming in 1998, and standby projects could compete for funding then. The issue of how to reprogram TEA savings will be brought for Commission action at the December meeting.

**4.6 Presentation of Biennial Update of Capital Improvement Program (CIP)
Element of the California Aviation System Plan (CASP).**

Bob Moore, Chief of the Caltrans Aeronautics Program Office of Technical Services, discussed the Capital Improvement Program Biennial Update. Deputy Director Chuck Oldham noted that TACA would review the program and submit comments to the Commission when the CIP is presented for action in December.

**4.7 Proposed Annual \$4,250,000 Allocation Set-Aside for the Public Utilities
Commission (PUC) Railroad Grade Crossing Protection Maintenance
Program for FY 1998-99**

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

**4.8 Recommended Modifications to the Programming Process for the FY 1998-99
Elderly and Disabled Transit (Section 5310) Program**

Program Manager Rick Gumz presented procedural changes concerning coordination, ability of applicant and project need which were recommended by the program advisory committee.

Commissioner Berglund moved to approve the changes. Vice Chairman Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Commissioners Conlon, Fleming, and Reed were absent).

5. MODAL ISSUES**5.1 Rail**

- Report on FY 1997-98 Amtrak (Intercity Rail) Expanded Service on the San Diegan Corridor

Warren Weber, Caltrans, reported on the status of Amtrak Expanded Rail Service on the San Diegan Corridor noting that it had been expanded to 10 trains a day.

The Commissioners discussed the schedule for Caltrans' allocation request to fund the increase in service. The Commission decided to postpone action until January 1998 because Gil Mallery, CEO Amtrak West, would not be able to attend the December meeting.

5.2 Highways

No Items This Month

5.3 Aeronautics

- James Hansen, Resident, City of Reedley, Commenting on Reedley Airport

James Hansen, private citizen and City of Reedley resident, discussed his concerns about the Reedley airport.

Executive Director Remen noted that the Commission had no jurisdiction in the matter.

Richard Fernbaugh, Reedley's Community Service Director, reported that the airport was operated under a permit from Caltrans and they were not out of compliance.

Chairman Jordan asked Caltrans to facilitate a meeting between Mr. Hansen and airport staffs to attempt to resolve the dispute.

ACTION M. Beckwith

6. OTHER MATTERS

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Robert I. Remen, Executive Director